GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH A B S T R A C T

P.S. – PR&RD Department – Certain allegations of corruption against Sri M. Ratnaiah, Supdt., & MPDO (FAC), Doravarisatram Mandal, Nellore District – Trapped by ACB., on 7-4-2003 (now retired on 31-7-2003) – Prosecution – Acquitted by trail court – Further action dropped – Orders – Issued.

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PANCHAYAT RAJ & RURAL DEVELOPMENT (VIG.IV) DEPARTMENT

G.O.Rt.No. 1709

Dated:- 11-11-2008. Read the following:-

- 1. Automax Message No.998, dt:- 8-4-2003 from the DSP., ACB., Nellore.
- 2. Proceedings of CEO., ZP., Nellore, Rc.No. A1/2271/2003, Dt:- 8-4-2003
- 3. **From** the DG., ACB., Lr.No.93/RCT-NNL/2003, Dt:- 24-6-2003, (final report.)
- 4. Govt.Memo.No. 7520/VS.II.A2/2003, Dated:- 27-11-2003.
- 5. Judgement of SPE&ACBCases, Nellore, dt:- 17-1-2008 in CC No. 02/2004
- 6. From the DG., ACB., Lr.No.93/RCT-NNL/03, Dt:- 24-3-2008.

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ORDER:-

In the reference 1st read above, **it has** been brought to the notice of the Government that Sri M. Ratnaiah, while he was working as Supdt., & MPDO(FAC), Doravarisatram, Nellore Dist., was trapped by the ACB.. on 7.4.2003 when he demanded and accepted an amount of Rs. 1,000/- bribe from the complainant for showing official favour. Hence, the CEO, has placed the Accused Officer under suspension vide reference 2nd read above.

- 2. In the reference 3rd read above, the DG., ACB., has sent their final report, recommending for prosecution of the Accused Officer in a court of law. In the meanwhile, the A.O., was retired from service on 31.7.2003 on attaining the age of superannuation, while he was under suspension. Since, no sanction of prosecution u/s 19 of the P.C.Act, is required, if the public servant is no longer in service, and there is no necessity to accord sanction for prosecuting the A.O., in a court of law,., Govt., in the reference 4th read above, requested the ACB., to file charge sheet in a court of law against Sri M. Ratnaiah, Supdt., & MPDO (FAC) (now retired). Accordingly, the DG ACB has informed in letter, dt:-16.12.2003 that the charge sheet was filed on 15.12.2003 in the Court of Hon'ble Spl.Judge for SPE&ACB Cases, Nellore.
- 3. The Spl.Judge for ACB Cases has pronounced judgement in CC No.2/2004 acquitting the Accused Officer Sri M.Ratnaiah, former Supdt., & MPDO (FAC) Nellore Dist., from the charges, The DG., ACB., vide reference 6th cited informed that the Bureau is of the opinion that there are no grounds to prefer appeal against the acquittal judgement of the trial court, and requested to take necessary further action in the matter.
- **4. Government**, after careful examination of the matter with reference to the judgement of trial court and the opinion of the ACB., thereon and material records, have decided to drop further action against Sri M. Ratnaiah, former Supdt., & MPDO (FAC)., Doravarisatram, Nellore District (now retired).

- **5.** Accordingly, Government, hereby, drop further action against Sri M. Ratnaiah, former Supdt., & MPDO (FAC)., Doravarisatram, Nellore District (now retired).
- **6.** The Commissioner of PR&RE., Hyderabad / the Chief Executive Officer, Zilla Parishad, Nellore shall take necessary action in the matter.

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)

CHITRA RAMCHANDRAN SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT

To

The Commissioner of PR&RE., Hyderabad. The Chief Executive Officer, Zilla Parishad, Nellore.

Copy to:-

The Director-General, Anti-Corruption Bureau, Hyderabad. **The Secretary to** A.P.Vigilance Commission, The Accountant General, Andhra Pradesh, Hyderabad. The District Treasury Officer, Nellore. Sf/Sc.

//Forwarded : By Order//

SECTION OFFICER